New T. V. relay stations

180. SHRI R. T. GOPALAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION & BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of new TV relay stations proposed to be set up in the country in the coming year;

(b) whether Madurai is likely to be provided with a TV relay station; and

(c) if so, what steps have been taken to set up such a TV station at this important city in Tamil Nadu?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) Doordarshan's Annual Plan for 1990-91 provides for establishment, *inter alia*, of 9 high power (including 4 for second Channel Service) and 25 low power/very low power TV Transmitters in the country. This is in addition to 18 high power transmitters (including 13 in replacement of the existing low power transmitters) and 23 low power/very low power transmitters and transposers initially approved under the VII Plan and scheduled to be commissioned by the end of 1990-91.

(b) and (c) Madurai falls within the coverage area of the high power (10KW) TV transmitter functioning at Kodaikanal. There is, therefore, no proposal at present to set up a separate TV transmitter at Madurai.

Pending cases of freedom fighters Pension

181. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state what is the number of applications for sanction of freedom fighters pension which are pending with Government State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED): As on 31-1-1990, 285 cases were pending. Out of these 31 cases having special features are pending for want of reports from State Governments. Another 254 cases are to be scrutinised by the Committee for Arya Samaj Movement. State-wise position in regard to these cases has been shown in the enclosed Statement.

Statement

Position of pending cases (State-wise) as on **31-1-1990**

(a) *Cases having special features*

1.	Andhra Pradesh	26
2.	Maharashtra	5
	TOTAL	31

(b) *Cases to be scrutinised by the Non-Official Committee on Arya Samaj Movement :*

1.	Andhra Pradesh	2
2.	Bihar	101
3.	Delhi	14
4.	Gujarat	1
5.	Haryana	63
6.	Himachal Pradesh	1
7.	Jammu & Kashmir	..
8.	Karnataka	4
9.	Madhya Pradesh	1
10.	Maharashtra	8
11.	Punjab	47
12.	Rajasthan	8
13.	Uttar Pradesh	4
14.	West Bengal	..
15.	Madras	..
16.	Chandigarh	..
	TOTAL	254